

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 548 without my signature.

This bill would require owners of multifamily dwellings to arrange for recycling services for residents consistent with state and local laws.

This is the third time I have vetoed legislation on this topic. I support efforts to reduce the amount of solid waste going to the state's landfills, but this bill places requirements directly on the owner/operators of multifamily dwellings causing significant cost for the private owners of these properties. Additionally, local governments already have the authority to mandate the action envisioned by this bill. I encourage the Integrated Waste Management Board to continue in its efforts to provide adequate tools and resources to local jurisdictions in order to make available increased recycling opportunities for multifamily dwelling residents.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger